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Dear Bill:

Thank you very much for your letter inviting Intelligence Community participation in net assessments conducted by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. I agree with you completely that joint net assessments are the preferred alternative to any type of unilateral net assessments. While the Nunn Amendment will require the expenditure of additional analytical resources throughout the Intelligence Community, I believe that the requirements contained therein are workable, particularly in close concert with the Department of Defense and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

I have designated Major General Larry D. Budge, the National Intelligence Officer for General Purpose Forces, as my point of contact within the Intelligence Community to develop arrangements for conducting joint net assessments with the Department of Defense and the Joint Chiefs of Staff. I would suggest that your staff contact him and that together they develop the arrangements which you and I can then approve at a later date.

I enjoyed our visit and look forward to meeting again.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ William H. Webster

William H. Webster  
Director of Central Intelligence